

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: **A. Palani et al.** :  
Serial No.: **10/629,466** : Examiner: Celia C. Chang  
Filed: **July 29, 2003** : Group Art Unit: 1625  
For: **"PIPERIDINE DERIVATIVES  
USEFUL AS CCR5  
ANTAGONISTS"** : Date: March 8, 2007  
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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF 10/26/2006

Dear Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is being filed herewith.

This Amendment is filed as a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and is in response to the Final Office Action dated April 17, 2006. A previous Amendment to the same Final Office Action and a Notice of Appeal were filed on October 12, 2006. An Advisory Action dated October 26, 2006 indicated that the amendments were not entered. The Examiner is respectfully requested not to enter the amendments filed October 12, 2006, but to enter the present amendments.

Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. A petition for a three-month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

**Listing of Presently-Pending Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 19 of this paper.